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MERGER OF MPEDA WITH NFDB
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government proposes to merge the Marine Products Export Development Authority(MPEDA) with the National Fisheries Development Board(NFDB);

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) the steps taken by the MPEDA to help exporters of marine products during the last three years;

(d) whether the Government proposes to review the working of MPEDA or conduct a study to assess the utility of MPEDA in the present context; and

(e) if so, the details in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY(SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

(a) No, sir;

(b) Not applicable;

(c) MPEDA is operating a number of subsidy schemes for production, processing and exports of marine products from India. Details of some of the scheme operated by MPEDA is at Annexure − I

(d) & (e) MPEDA has appointed Indian Institute of Management (IIM), Ahmedabad to review the organizational objectives of MPEDA in the context of the present day requirements of international trade and to develop an appropriate organizational design and human resource management frame-work.